PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Conversion of the State of Texas

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O ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

REPRODUCED FROM THE HOLDINGS OF THE TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

I am vetoing and filing with the Secretary of State House Bill Number

440 of the Regular Session, Fifty-sixth Legislature, relating to appeals from

State Administrative Agencies. Although not intended by the authors to be so
broad, after careful study of this bill, I am satisfied that it would completely
disrupt the oil and gas conservation procedures of the Texas Railroad Commission. Two of the Commissioners insist that it would endanger the longestablished and well-recognized administration of the excellent conservation
laws of this State. To have these laws interpreted and applied by the various
courts and juries in trials de novo, without regard to the evidence upon which
the Commission based its decisions, would create many inconsistencies in
application of the conservation laws, crowded court dockets, and a burden of
trials which the Attorney General could not handle without a large number of
additional assistants.

Furthermore, there is a serious question concerning the constitutionality of the bill as evidenced by the fact that the authors proposed along with this measure a Constitutional Amendment which was not approved and submitted by the Legislature.

House Bill Number 440 was received in the Governor's Office less than ten (10) days prior to the adjournment of the Regular Session of the Fifty-sixth Legislature, and in accordance with the Constitution, the bill, together with this Proclamation, is being filed with the Secretary of State.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

11. 45 P. 70 O'CLOCK

JUN1 - 1959
Secretary at Philo

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the seal of State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this the 1st day of June, A.D., 1959.

MCL Same

By the Governor:

Secretary of State

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